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SUMMARY: ICEM AND FRG WANT THE SUPPLEMENTAL KURDISH
REFUGEE PROGRAM COMPLETED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. END
SUMMARY.

1. THE CHIEF OF THE ICEM OFFICE IN BONN HAS APPROACHED
US WITH A STRONG APPEAL THAT WE COMPLETE THE SUPPLE-
MENTAL KURDISH REFUGEE PROGRAM IN THE LEAST POSSIBLE
TIME. ACCORDING TO HIS INFORMATION, THE DEPARTMENT AND
INS PLAN TO RELEASE 25 IMMIGRANT VISA NUMBERS AND 25
CONDITIONAL ENTRIES PER MONTH, WITH THE RESULT THAT IT
WILL TAKE SIX MONTHS TO PROCESS THE 300 ADDITIONAL
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REFUGEES. ICEM REP ALSO UNDERSTANDS THAT USG PLANS
TO PROCESS REFUGEES AGAIN IN FRANKFURT.

2. ICEM CLAIMS THERE ARE FOUR REASONS TO
SPEED UP THE PROGRAM:

A. THE ACCOMMODATIONS IT USED FOR THE LAST GROUP

OF KURDISH REFUGEES, WHICH ARE LOCATED JUST OUTSIDE OF FRANKFURT, ARE AVAILABLE, BUT ONLY UNTIL AUGUST 1. ICEM WANTS TO USE THESE SAME ACCOMMODATIONS FOR A VARIETY OF REASONS (CONTROL, COST, ETC.). IF THE PROGRAM EXTENDS PAST AUGUST 1, THE ONLY ALTERNATIVE FACILITIES ARE SMALL HOTELS SCATTERED THROUGHOUT FRANKFURT ITSELF.

B. PERSONNEL AND OTHER COSTS FOR ICEM RISE SHARPLY IF THE PROGRAM LASTS SIX MONTHS.

C. ICEM HAS THE RESOURCES TO DO THE JOB IN THREE MONTHS.

D. THE GERMAN GOVERNMENT VERY MUCH PREFERS THAT THE PROGRAM BE COMPLETED IN THREE MONTHS.

3. THE FONOFF SUBSEQUENTLY CONFIRMED TO US ITS HOPE THAT THE USG WILL COMPLETE THE PROCESSING WHICH WILL TAKE PLACE IN FRANKFURT IN THE SHORTEST POSSIBLE TIME. THE DEPARTMENT WILL RECALL THE FRG'S NERVOUSNESS DURING THE LAST KURDISH RESETTLEMENT PROGRAM OVER THE POSSIBILITY THAT SOME OF THE REFUGEES WOULD REQUEST POLITICAL ASYLUM WHILE THEY WERE PHYSICALLY PRESENT IN THE FRG- (REFTELS C AND D). NONE DID, PARTLY BECAUSE OF THE CONTROL THE REFUGEE ORGANIZATIONS EXERCISED OVER THE REFUGEES, WHICH WAS GREATLY FACILITATED BY THE USE OF ACCOMMODATIONS OUTSIDE OF FRANKFURT. IF THE REFUGEES ARE SCATTERED THROUGHOUT FRANKFURT IN SMALL HOTELS, THE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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CONTROL PROBLEM IS MAGNIFIED. THE GERMAN EXPERIENCE WAS SO POSITIVE WITH THE LAST GROUP OF KURDS THAT THE FRG WILL PROBABLY AGREE TO ACCEPT 50 REFUGEES THIS YEAR. ONE REQUEST FOR POLITICAL ASYLUM WOULD, HOWEVER, SEVERELY PREJUDICE NOT ONLY ACCEPTANCE OF THESE 50 REFUGEES, BUT ALSO THE WILLINGNESS OF THE FRG FOR THE USG TO PROCESS IN FRANKFURT THE REFUGEES WE ARE ACCEPTING.

4. IF IT IS CONVENIENT FOR US TO PROCESS THE REFUGEES IN FRANKFURT, AND IF WE WANT THE FRG TO ACCEPT 50 KURDISH REFUGEES, IT MAKES SENSE TO US TO SPEED UP THE PROGRAM AND COMPLETE IT IN THREE MONTHS IF POSSIBLE.

5. AMCONSUL FRANKFURT HAS TOLD THE EMBASSY THAT IT CAN HANDLE 100 REFUGEES A MONTH. THE CONSULATE AGREES THAT THE FRG'S ATTITUDE SHOULD BE CAREFULLY CONSIDERED. STOESEL

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